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It cannot be said that Uncle Sam's neutrality is not being respected by the warring nations since the hostler wrapped his famous steed in the stars and stripes and passed him safely through the lines in France.

The demolition of the buildings on the corner of North and Queen streets, preparatory to the erection of the new postoffice, looks good. The removal of a number of other "landmarks" on the Avenue will help things in Kinston wonderfully.

It has been said that funerals and fires help a city. There is a good deal of truth in part of the saying, too, for some of the old buildings will just hang on until they are regular eye sores unless some well timed blaze comes to the rescue to make room for an up to date structure.

The wily old Turk may have to eat a few words of which he delivered himself so abruptly a few days ago when he announced the complete severance of all treaty relations. The protests of Uncle Sam and some of the other big fellows may cause him to see things in a little different light.

The negro janitor of Uncle Sam's building over in Statesville was not fired because of his color, but when he tried to hold his government job as a side line the "skates" were put under him without delay. His enemies don't care what the alleged reason is, the object has been obtained.

The Wilson policies are being ratified as the fall elections are being held throughout the country. Old-time rock ribbed standpat districts are remaining in the Democratic columns, where they landed two years ago. Naturally there will be some "come backs" but hardly enough to give the complexion of the Congress any distress.

Brother Cowan of the Wilmington Dispatch takes this pharisaical view of Editor Caine's position on wearing hats in theatres, just as if he didn't have reserved seats on the bald-headed row, too. He says:

"Editor Caine of the Asheville Citizen has a ringing editorial against wearing hats in theaters. And it may be observed that there can be nothing selfish in the plaint, because Caine always occupies a bald-headed row seat—and even when there are chorus girls in the show, we are reliably informed."

The Belgian delegation has been heard and informed that this government could not at the present time take any action in the matter for fear of violating its neutrality. It is doubtful if any action could stay the hands of the fiends who are responsible for such atrocities as are reported, be they German, French or what not. It is hardly probably that the superiors were aware of the outrages perpetrated and perhaps the soldiers and petty officers are responsible. When the guilty ones are discovered they should be made object lessons of and the stamp of disapproval very definitely put upon them.

THE ATLANTA ACREAGE PLAN

The suggestion, coming from the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, for cutting down the cotton acreage in 1915 is not without merit. It is proposed to ask the bankers in the cotton belt of the South to require the planters to make an agreement to cut down their acreage at least 50 per cent. next year before the bank makes a loan to them. Banks have

tion of the business of those who borrow from them, and very often they are consulted, and make suggestions which are applied. The principle of the Atlanta plan is not therefore out of the ordinary. As a safeguard, the bankers could make the 50 per cent. reduction clause a part of the basis for credit. There would perhaps be no feasible way to enforce the agreement, if there was a tendency on the part of the planters to violate it, but it stands to reason that the moral influence, aside from the legal aspect, provided of course the plan was generally put into practice, would result in a reduction sufficiently great to accomplish the desired end. The plan is worthy of further consideration.

GERMANY'S ATTITUDE TOWARD PEACE

The prospect for the entertainment of a peace proposal by Germany is considered by Ambassador Gerard and others, close to the situation, as somewhat encouraging. Although the Kaiser has made no reply to President Wilson's query as to his attitude, the German Imperial Chancellor has said in an informal way that Germany would like to know what position the other powers would take with reference to mediation, and he has suggested that the United States ascertain upon what terms England, France and Russia would make peace. Of course, the Germans are not in a position to accept peace on a basis of having been defeated, nor are the Allies, but no doubt, all the belligerents would welcome a cessation of hostilities if such could be accomplished without affront to their pride and dignity. The word from Mr. Gerard is the most encouraging that has been sounded looking to a settlement and although the interview was very informal and there has been no committal on the part of the German authorities, it is quite evident that they have their ears to the ground, so to speak, and that they would not turn a deaf ear to a proposal if it could be accepted without too much cost to their national honor.

WHAT OTHERS SAY

COMING BACK DOWN HERE

Greensboro News: "How suddenly doth fade the glory of the Palm Beach raiment."

NOT IF THE KAISER CAN HELP IT

Wilmington Dispatch: "Belgium has got to be indemnified. But will there be enough Belgians left to get the indemnity?"

News and Observer: "Mr. J. F. Taylor, a mill man of Kinston, is quoted as taking a hopeful view of the cotton situation. The cotton mill men can help by buying as much cotton as they can carry and some of them will do this."

MAY NOT HAVE TO CONSENT

Durham Sun: "Just one hundred years ago we lost our capital, but we did not lose the fight. A few European countries doubtless would like for history to repeat itself in their case; if the Germans would only consent."

COTTON SOLD IN LIVERPOOL

Raleigh Times: "A few hundred American bales of cotton were sold at Liverpool Tuesday. Heretofore no American cotton had been bought by the English mills. The times are getting better and in a few more weeks there ought to be a considerable demand for the South's product."

WOMEN IN MAJORITY

Biblical Recorder: "It is trite to say that women take more interest in church work than men. But about what is the proportion in the matter of church attendance and membership? An authority estimates that the Sunday services of the churches in America are attended by audiences composed of sixty-five women to thirty-five men, and that a similar proportion holds in regard to church membership."

SOME RELIEF, AT LEAST

Charlotte Observer: "Photographs that have been coming in, the aftermath of the war, as it were, give proof that the newspaper correspondents were comparatively mild in their descriptions of the havoc wrought by bombs dropped from the air on the defenseless towns. The pictures show the real horrors of the Zeppelin bombs, which wrecked houses and killed women and children wherever they struck. This atrocious

the civilized world and the revolt against the inhumanity of it, is probably partially responsible for its abatement, for, since the early stages of the strife there has been a cessation of activity in that method of wreaking destruction. It is further true that the number of these aircraft has been considerably diminished, and this fact is also to be taken into account. But in the abatement of the dropping of bombs, from whatever cause, the civilized world must experience a feeling of relief."

DIVERSITY OF CROPS PAYS

Winston-Salem Journal: "Those who have enough money to divide with their brethren in distress, the cotton farmers, will do well to join the 'Buy a Bale of Cotton' movement. Since tobacco appears to be holding up well in price regardless of the war, the moneyed men of this community can well afford to lend a helping hand to the farmers farther South. Our own farmers are able to take care of themselves as long as they can find a good market for their tobacco."

WILSON POLICIES ENDORSED

Greensboro Record: "When Maine went Democratic two years ago, few people, even politicians, expected to see the trick repeated, but the same thing happened again Monday, though the first returns indicated a Republican victory. The Democratic nominees received a larger vote than Wilson did two years ago. 'Wilson Wins' had as well be kept standing. Voters in hitherto Republican States appear to be pleased with his policies, foreign and otherwise."

BUBONIC PLAGUE REAPPEARS IN CUBA.

Havana, Sept. 17.—Bubonic plague, of which Cuba was thought to have been cleared, has reappeared at El Caney, near Santiago, where one case has been diagnosed.

AGREEMENT.

On account of the enormous loss and breakage of soda glasses and the time consumed to deliver and collect same, we, the undersigned, agree to discontinue delivering cold drinks, beginning Monday, Sept. 21.

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 J. E. HOOD & CO.
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A large bottle costs only fifty cents and the drug store will cheerfully give you your money back if you do not find it a perfect remedy to take instead of calomel. (adv.)

THE Farmers and Merchants Bank,

AT KINSTON, N. C.
 At the close of business Sept. 12, 1914.

RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$213,579.17
Overdrafts	2,885.13
Furniture and Fixtures	1,450.00
Due from Banks and Bankers	28,000.62
Cash Items	68.15
Gold Coin	1,872.50
Silver Coin	1,636.23
National Bank and other U. S. Notes	9,107.00
	\$259,198.80
LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock	\$25,000.00
Surplus Fund	5,000.00
Undivided Profits, less current expenses and taxes paid	6,178.18
Bills Payable	65,000.00
Deposits subject to check	56,987.21
Demand Certificates of Deposit	63,136.95
Savings Deposits	36,655.24
Due to Banks and Bankers	1,037.86
Cashier's Checks Outstanding	783.86
	\$259,198.80

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, County of Lenoir, ss. I, L. J. Mewborne, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. L. J. Mewborne, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 16th day Sept. 1914. T. V. Moseley, Notary Public. Correct—Attest: Chas. F. Harvey, G. V. Cowper, S. L. Stough.

Report of the Condition of The First National Bank of Kinston

at Kinston, in the State of North Carolina, at close of business Sept. 12, 1914.

No. 9085.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$450,203.15
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	5,569.32
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	25,000.00
Other Bonds to secure Postal Saving Deposits	5,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	781.25
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	23,231.76
Due from National Banks, (not reserve agents)	38,263.01
Due from State & Private Banks and Bankers, Trust Co's.	192.19
Due from approved reserve agents	68,927.54
Checks and other cash items	165.55
Notes of other National Banks	260.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents	369.93
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	15,625.45
Legal-Tender notes, 500.00	16,125.45
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer [5 per cent. of circulation]	1,250.00
Total	\$655,342.15

LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	100,000.00
Surplus fund	25,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	30,602.32
National Bank Notes outstanding	25,000.00
Due other banks and bankers	1,068.92
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	187.36
Dividends Unpaid	930.00
Individual deposits subject to check	199,939.51
Demand certificates of deposit	150,330.58
Certified checks	46.50
Cashier's checks outstanding	1,553.06
Postal Saving deposits	683.30
Bills Payable	100,000.00
Total	\$655,342.15

State of North Carolina, County of Lenoir, ss: I, D. F. WOOTEN, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. D. F. WOOTEN, Cashier. Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th day of Sept. 1914. T. V. Moseley Notary Public. Correct—Attest: J. F. Taylor, H. E. Moseley, J. H. Canady, Directors.



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Courie's Candy Kitchen

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The National Bank of Kinston



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By the way—we can show you Rugs for the rooms that will go beautifully with the suites.



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